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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: BILATERAL SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION, S&T, ATOMIC
ENERGY, HEALTH, EFFECT OF ORLOV CONVICTION

1. US DELEGATION ON INFLUENZA (03.06) CONTACTED EMBASSY
MAY 22 INDICATING THAT DELEGATION WAS CONSIDERING
IMMEDIATE DEPARTURE FROM SOVIET UNION IN PROTEST OF
ORLOV CONVICTION. SCICOUNS STATED THAT WHILE PRESIDENT
AND DEPARTMENT HAD ISSUED STRONG CONDEMNATION OF ORLOV
CONVICTION, WE ARE AWARE OF NO USG POLICY TO DISCOURAGE
SCIENTIFIC COLLABORATION IN GENERAL. HE NOTED THAT
CANCELLATION OF CONDENSED MATTERS DELEGATION WAS DECIDED
BY DELEGATION MEMBERS THEMSELVES, AND SUGGESTED THAT US
DELEGATION DECIDE WHETHER TO STAY OR DEPART ON BASIS
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OF DECISION BY INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS. US DELEGATION
REPORTED TO EMBASSY ON MAY 23 THAT THEY HAVE OPTED TO
CONTINUE THEIR PROGRAM IN THE SOVIET UNION.

2. COMMENT - CANCELLATION OF US DELEGATION ON CONDENSED
MATTER AND ATOMIC ENERGY (07.00) HAVE, IN THE EMBASSY'S
VIEW, APPROPRIATELY EXPRESSED THE RESENTMENT OF THE U.S.

PHYSICS COMMUNITY AT THE ORLOV CONVICTION. WE BELIEVE THE BEST ROUTE NOW WOULD BE FOR WORKING LEVEL SCIENTIFIC CONTACTS IN OTHER AREAS TO CONTINUE SUBSTANTIALLY UNABATED HOWEVER, THE DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO INFORM DR. ROGER W. STAEHLE, CO-CHAIRMAN OF PROPOSED NEW WORKING GROUP ON CORROSION UNDER THE S&T AGREEMENT, THAT HIS SOVIET COUNTER-PART, ACADEMICIAN YA. KOLOTYRKIN, PUBLISHED IN THE MAY 20 ISSUE OF MOSKOVSKAYA PRAVDA A SEVERE CONDEMNATION OF ORLOV (REF MOSCOW 11264). STAEHLE MAY WISH TO REVIEW PLANS FOR CORROSION DELEGATION VISIT JUNE 5 TO MOSCOW IN THE LIGHT OF KOLOTYRKIN'S ACTION. TO EMBASSY KNOWLEDGE KOLOTYRKIN IS THE ONLY SOVIET SCIENTIST WHO HAS PUBLICLY ASSOCIATED HIMSELF WITH THE ORLOV CONVICTION. MATLOCK

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